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SUBJECT: CAMBODIAN EVACUEES IN THAILAND

REF: BANGKOK 6282 BANGKOK 6270

1. ADMINISTRATION IS CONSULTING WITH APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES AS REQUIRED ON USE OF PAROLE INTO U.S. MEANWHILE, WE NEED AS MUCH OF THE FOLLOWING AS CAN BE DISCREETLY OBTAINED BOTH FOR CONSIDERATION OF PAROLE AND TO ANSWER QUERIES ABOUT PERSONS EVACUATED FROM CAMBODIA.

A) AMOUNT OF FUNDS BEING EXPENDED PER DAY ON EVACUEES WITH TOTAL TO DATE AND ESTIMATE OF TOTAL ANTICIPATED COSTS OF OPERATION.

B) NAMES, DATES AND PLACES OF BIRTH OF EVACUATED CAMBODIANS, TCNS, AND OTHER NON-AMERICANS.
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C) TYPE OF TRAVEL DOCUMENTS, IF ANY.

D) WHICH EVACUEES HAVE FAMILY TIES OR ASSOCIATIONS IN THE U.S.? INDICATE IF THE RELATIONSHIP APPEARS TO MAKE

EVACUEE ELIGIBLE FOR IMMIGRANT VISA PREFERENCE.

E) WHICH TCNS CAN RETURN TO THEIR COUNTRY OF NATIONALITY?

2. DEPT. AGREES WITH EMBASSY EFFORTS TO OBTAIN LAISSEZ-PASSER FOR AS MANY KHMERS AS POSSIBLE. AS REGARDS WHETHER ANY FORM OF PAROLE WOULD INCLUDE WAIVER OF TRAVEL DOCUMENT, AT MOMENT WE HAVE NO FIRM ANSWER. AS EMBASSY AWARE, DEPT. HAS APPROACHED UNHCR GENEVA RE THEIR ASSISTANCE IN RESETTLEMENT AND RECEIVED INTERIM FAVORABLE RESPONSE. UNHCR ASSISTANCE COULD WELL ENTAIL ISSUANCE OF TRAVEL DOCUMENTS BY THAT ORGANIZATION. IF APPROACHED ON RESETTLEMENT MATTER BY UNHCR REP BANGKOK, EMBASSY COULD PROBE THIS FURTHER.

3. DEPT. WOULD ALSO APPRECIATE NAMES OF NON-OFFICIAL AMERICANS PRESENT IN THAILAND FROM CAMBODIA E.G. VOLAG PERSONNEL, ETC. KISSINGER

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